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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6512 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 22, 2010

BILL NUMBER: HB 1076 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Local Port Authorities.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Stilwell BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Nugent

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: This bill:

- (1) eliminates the requirement that a local port authority contract be in the name of the political subdivision creating the authority;
- (2) specifies that a local port authority is an instrumentality of the state and may exercise certain powers independent of any political subdivision;
- (3) authorizes local port authorities to borrow money;
- (4) relocates bonding authority for local port authorities from the list of general powers to a separate section;
- (5) retains the requirement that a local port authority obtain the approval of the governing body that created the authority before entering contracts concerning royalties from natural or mineral resources of land owned by the authority; and
- (6) and relocates the requirement from the list of general powers to a separate section.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The provisions of this bill likely will reduce the time involved in contracting and bonding. It also may reduce the costs associated with these efforts.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

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State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Port authorities.

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